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SUBJECT: MINISTERIAL: HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES

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1. REVISED TEXT OF DRAFT COUNCIL RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING HIGH-LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES (REPLACING THAT REPORTED REF A), TRANSMITTED BELOW, WAS CONSIDERED BY HEADS OF DEL MAY 23, FOR SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL. ONLY JAPANESE LODGED EXPLICIT RESERVATION. KEY ISSUE OF DEBATE WAS RELATIVE EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO XCSS SUMMING-UP AND MINISTERIAL RESULTS. JAPANESE DEL THOUGHT LATTER STILL NOT GIVEN ADEQUATE WEIGHT AND ARGUED FOR HAVING DETAILED MANDATE FOR GROUP DRAWN UP AFTER RESULTS OF MINISTERIAL ARE KNOWN. SPAIN, PORTUGAL, GREECE, TURKEY INSISTED ON INCLUSION OF "OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS" CLAUSE IN ESTABLISHMENT PARAGRAPH. SECRETARIAT INDICATED ITS VIEW THAT COUNCIL OF PERMREPS SHOULD APPROVE RESOLUTION DURING MINISTERIAL, AND UK SAID IT SHARED THIS VIEW.

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BEGIN TEXT:

THE COUNCIL,

HAVING REGARD TO THE RESULTS OF THE MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL ON 28TH AND 29TH MAY, 1975;

HAVING REGARD TO THE CHAIRMAN'S SUMMING-UP OF THE DIS-  
CUSSIONS OF THE 10TH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE, ON 6TH AND 7TH MAY, 1975, (CE/M(75)7(PROV.),  
ANNEX III);

HAVING REGARD TO THE NOTE BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF  
20TH MAY, 1975, ON POLICIES OF OECD COUNTRIES IN THE  
GLOBAL ECONOMIC CONTEXT (C(75)70(FINAL));

DECIDES:

1. A HIGH-LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS  
IS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
IN SPECIAL SESSION.

2. THE GROUP SHALL UNDERTAKE THE APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP  
TO THE CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO COMMODITIES REACHED  
AT THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL ON  
28TH AND 29TH MAY, 1975.

3. THE COMPOSITION AND THE MANDATE OF THE GROUP ARE AS  
SET OUT IN THE CHAIRMAN'S SUMMING-UP OF THE DISCUSSION  
ON INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS AT THE 10TH SPECIAL SESSION  
OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, ATTACHED HERETO, TAKING INTO  
ACCOUNT THE RESULTS OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AT  
MINISTERIAL LEVEL.

END TEXT.  
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